



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Examiner: Uyen T. Ho

Stephen D. Pacetti

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Title: Apparatus and Method for Coating Implantable Devices

Commissioner for Patents  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Examiner Ho:

This is a Response to the Office Action mailed on January 15, 2004, which had a shortened statutory period for response that ended on April 15, 2004. The enclosed petition request a one-month extension of time, extending period to respond to May 17, 2004.

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